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1. REPORT IN TRAVEL MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTER FOR NOVEMBER 4 THAT CANADA IS CLOSE TO CONCLUDING A BILATERAL WITH CUBA WAS CALLED TO ATTENTION OF FULFORD (DIRECTOR, TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY DIV., EXTAFF). FULFORD ADVISED TCO ON NOVEMBER 9 THAT THERE WAS A CERTAIN ELEMENT OF TRUTH TO REPORT IN THAT THE EXPANSION OF CHARTER OPERATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES HAD CAUSED GOC TO FEEL THAT A REGULARIZATION OF AVIATION RELATIONS WAS IN ORDER AND THAT IT WAS NO LONGER ADEQUATE TO KEEP AT BAY THE OFT REPEATED CUBAN WISH TO NEGOTIATE.

2. FULFORD INDICATED THAT NO SPECIFIC DATE FOR NEGOTIATIONS HAD YET BEEN SET AND THAT INDEED GOC HAD NOT YET FULLY DEVELOPED ITS NEGOTIATING POSITION. CANADIANS DID NOT ENVISAGE AN AGREEMENT LIMITED TO CHARTER AREA, BUT A STRAIGHT FORWARD EXCHANGE OF THIRD AND FOURTH FREEDOM RIGHTS MODIFIED TO ENABLE AIR CANADA TO COMBINE SCHEDULED SERVICE TO
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CUBA WITH EXISTING SERVICE TO ANOTHER CARIBBEAN

POINT UNTIL SUCH TIME AS TRAFFIC WARRANTS SERVICE
TO CUBA ALONE. HE STATED, FURTHERMORE, THAT CANADA
HAD NO INTENTION OF GRANTING CUBA FIFTH FREEDOM
RIGHTS, POINTING OUT THAT CANADA HAS GRANTED SUCH
RIGHTS TO ONLY ONE OTHER COUNTRY (MEXICO, WHICH WAS
NOT USING THEM).
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